Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 13 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Monday 14 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Saturday 12 Dec 2020 at 14:31 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Fairly high for the general weather, lower for cloud detail, and low generally from Wednesday.

Headline for Sunday 13 Dec 2020: Cloudy with rain and summit snow in the west spreading east in the afternoon. Hill fog, gales.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 13 Dec 2020

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** Low Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG							
Fog	Cloudy	Dull	Light snow	Sleet	Sleet	Heavy snow	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	20%	60%	40%	40%	70%	30%

Forecast for Sunday 13 Dec 2020

Weather: The early hours mainly dry in west with patchy rain and hill fog in east. Skye and Wester Ross clouding over before dawn with occasional rain with snow above 750m. Daylight hours mainly cloudy with further rain and summit snow, much of it light but a belt of heavier rain and snow will arrive after dark, the snow mainly above 800-900m. The rain turning showery during the evening the showers now of rain at all levels.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% in early hours but 20% through daylight hours with extensive cloud, best chance of breaks in far northwest.

Visibility: Occasionally moderate or poor in rain and very poor above the snowline though liable to be in the cloud at that height anyway.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	18/22 SE	23/28 SE	28/35 SE	33/42 SE	36/46 SE	36/46 E	26/35 SE	28/35 SE	24/32 SE
900	17/21 SE	21/26 SE	27/34 SE	31/41 SE	33/44 SE	33/44 E	27/36 SE	24/31 SE	21/29 SE
600	13/17 SE	13/19 SE	18/26 SE	23/32 SE	25/36 SE	25/36 E	21/31 SE	17/25 SE	14/21 SE
300	3/13 E	2/18 SE	4/22 SE	6/30 E	7/31 E	8/32 E	7/25 E	3/18 E	3/19 SE
Glen	8/12 E	7/16 SE	11/22 E	13/27 E	17/32 E	18/35 E	16/27 E	11/22 E	10/22 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-0/-6	-1/-8	-1/-9	-2/-10	-1/-10	-2/-10	-1/-9	0/-6	1/-6
900	0/-6	0/-6	-0/-8	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-8	1/-5	1/-4
600	3/-2	2/-3	2/-3	2/-4	2/-5	2/-5	2/-4	3/-1	3/-1
300	3/2	3/2	4/2	4/2	4/1	4/1	3/0	4/2	5/3
Glen	6/3	6/4	6/3	6/3	6/2	7/2	6/2	8/5	8/6
Freezing Level*	1100m	1000m	800m	800m	800m	1200m	1400m	1500m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add.

Forecast for Monday 14 Dec 2020
Weather: A mostly cloudy day with occasional showers and limited brighter intervals. Showers generally of rain but turning increasingly to snow above 900m in the evening.

Maximum wind: Southerly 25 gusts 35mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20%, still a lot of cloud on the tops.

Visibility: Moderate or good, but falling occasionally poor in showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius falling to Plus 2.
Freezing level: Above the summits, falling to 1100m in evening.

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